CRUSADE TO BRING **DOWN BILLBOARDS** AND SKY SIGNS

Commissioner Fosdick Reports Against Eyesores in Every Part of the City.

COMPLAINTS ARE MANY.

Not Only Are Devices Unsightly, but They Add to Danger of Fire and Crime.

Commissioner of Accounts Fordick has instituted a crusade against obnoxious billboards and "sky signs" which offend the public view everywhere in the Greater City. In a report to the Mayor to-day Mr. Fordick quotes numerous court decisions, indicating that while formerly the courts proclaimed against interference on the ground that the "seathetic taste" alone was being offended, recent decisions show a growing tendency on the part of the courts "to recognize the fact that an offense to the eye is just as much a nuisance as an offense to the ear or nose, and that the power of the State to place restrictions on the use of private property for the purpose of promoting the beauty and attractiveness of the street. park and building is as valid an exercise of authority as restrictions against offensive sounds and odors."

The Commissioner points out that an ordinance adopted by the City of Rochester prohibiting the erection of bill-boards exceeding six feet in height was declared constituional. The constitutionality of the present ordinance as applying to New York has never had the acid test of the courts.

Commissioner Fosdick's report is ac

companied by scores of photographs of unsightly biliboards and signs thrust everywhere throughout the city obnoxlously before the public gaze. These photographs show a remarkable condition of affairs, blurring, obscuring, dis-figuring many of the most beautiful aircets, avenues, public places and buildings in the greater city. They are worse even than eyesores, the Commissioner finds, for huge billboard fences are not only in themselves fire dangers, but behind the boards-many of them covering entire blocks-are refuges for the commission of crime as well as the creation of unsanitary con-ditions. Hidden from the public saze behind these fence shields are accumu-lations of debris which threaten the bealth of the city.

In his communication to the Mayor, Commissioner Fordick, stating that many complaints by "residents of the city in relation to nuisances in connec-tion with biliboards and signs used for advertising purposes," adds:
"Some of these were found upon in-

estigation to be of a particularly aggravating nature. For example, on a block on Riverside Drive a large billcoard, erected in violation of law, shut out from the lower floors of the residences on the two adjoining streets the entire view of the Drive, both north and another instance a large sign with a metal front and metallic skeleton frame was found on the top of a building so placed as to prevent escape in case of fire by the ladder leading from the fire

Under the circumstances it was de-

"Under the circumstances it was decided to make an extended study of the conditions relating to biliboard advertising in the city."

The Commissioner goes on to say:

The extent to which the biliboard business has grown is evident to any one who has occasion to pass through our streets. On every side, in every part of the city, whether in restricted residential locations, park surroundings, or business sections, an unceasing exhibition of signs of every conceivable construction, color and form confronts the eye.

ity Begins at Home" and

ary work by all denominations was

After commenting upon the growing number of cases of waywardness and crime among young girls and of the increases being constantly made to the

entined:

"This jury would suggest that if the heads or representatives of the various religious denominations in this county were invited to attend the sessions of National Elisteddfoa at Wrexham.

Welsh festival at Pittsburgh next sum. salcon. A policeman from the Oak stret station called an ambulance and Smith was sent to the Gouverneur Hospital. Stern said that he had incurred the ambulance and Smith was sent to the Gouverneur Hospital.

English Aviator and His Wife Pursued by Hoodoo in Flight



BURNED IT UP, SHE SAYS GRAHAME-WHITE HOODOOED ON FLIGHT Odiva Hales Mrs. Adams to Court, Exhibiting Charred **GRAHAME-WHITE AND** Bathing Suits.

to-day.

mermaid.

Six charred garments, once the dainty

athing suits of Miss Alma Beaumont,

the is known to fame as "Odiva, the

were displayed to the Court. Mrs.

Adams apparently was very well pleased

over the fact that Odiva never again

would don those suits to emulate the

The first witness against Mrs. Adams

ous perfections. Eight bathing suits,

Fight in Market Slip One tough with a revolver, backed by

half a dozen gangaters, was threaten-

the Longshoreman's Cafe, No. 33 Market

slip, to-day when Walter Smith, thirty-

two years old, a blacksmith, living at

No. 221 West Eleventh street, struck

the man with the revolver, knocking

him down. The man's companions then

attacked Smith, stabbing him three

The gangsters fled when longshore-

WIFE FALL INTO SEA Rescued by Yacht, Which Then diver," were offered as evidence against Strikes on a Shoal and Is

LONDON, Aug. 29.-A double accident occurred to Claude Grahame-White, the noted British aviator, and his wife while flying last night from Southend-on-Sea to Clacton on the east

Held Fast All Night.

A defect in the motor of their hydroseroplane compelled them to descend or south, leaving an ugly exterior back of ham. The machine was sighted and taken in tow by a yacht and Mr. and in from a tour, during which she had unsanitary state had congregated. In Soon afterward the yacht went

ashore on a shoal and was not floated

SAY TEAMSTERS STRIKE FOR LESS THAN THEY GET.

Mystery in Walk-Out of 2,000 That Adams home, at Bergen Beach. After Ties Up Lexington Avenue Subway.

Subway.

All work is stopped to-day on the day, which was Aug. 14. Desolation section of the Lexington avenue sub-awaited him. The bathing suits lay in way between Fifty-seventh and One a charred mass before the portico of Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets as the his home result of a strike called to-day by the construction. color and form confronts the eye.

The reports of the Bureaus of Buildings in the various boroughs show that there are approximately three thousand teamsters are affected locations occupied for billboard advertising in the city. This figure fees not include sky signs. The capital stock of eight of the leading concerns engaged in the billboard dusiness in the city amounts to nearly two million collars. Is for less than they are already getting, according to the time aligns and the collars of the leading concerns engaged in the billboard dusiness in the city amounts to nearly two million collars. Is for less than they are already getting, according to the time aligns and the collars of the lime aligns and the collars of the collars. They are approximately 2.700 bill-

Workers Should Visit Courts.

The Kings County Grand Jury for the July-August term made a presentment today, upon being discharged, wherein a sharp criticism of organized missions are work by all denominations as the strike.

DAVID LLOYD-GEORGE WANTED AT PITTSBURGH.

FISHGUARD, Wales, Aug. 29,-David ranks of crime by young boys of minor Lloyd-George, British Chancellor of the years, the Grand Jury's presentment Exchequer, is to be invited to open the Welsh festival at Pittsburgh next sum.

men from South street ran into the saloon. A policeman from the Oak were invited to attend the sessions of the County Court on arraignment day have been described at Wrexham. North Wales, where Mr. Lloyd-George going on and then instead of paying so much attention to foreign missions, they would better understand the axiom that Charity begins at home."

The presentment closed with praise for the policement who had presented their cases to the Grand Jury in an intelligible of the Grand Jury in an intelligible of the country of the Pittsburgh of Utah, Col. John M. Evans of Sharon, Pa.; D. J. Edmunds of New York and Jenkins Jones of West Virginia.

Wrexham is the burial place of Elling that was after me to-day,"

Tale, the founder of Yale University.

TURF A BIT SOGGY FOR SECOND ROUND OF FARMERS TELLS OF CITY TOURNEY

Patterson and Loring, Who Governor Coins New Phrase as Turned in Two Best Cards

Yesterday, Meet.

The second round of match play at

ditions. The turt was a bit soggy, but the players from this hold in the players from the least in making good driverwouch together the two players who turned in the best scores yesterday—William D. Patterson, who turned in a 70, and Elmer W. Loring, who acted as caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as a caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as a caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as a caddle for president Taft at Washington and Hot spring, who acted as a caddle for president Taft and how it affected the negotiated the qualifying round in 7.

Donald Carr of the North Jersey clab, after and how it affected the North Jersey clab, and succumbed to C. W. Bracker, unattached, it up and 8 to go. To a complian this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the Sew Mashington and the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection," for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection," for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection," for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brown of the president Taft in this connection, "for plant this, however, Brocker put up a brow

Brengel of the local club in a closely changes in the tariff system which wil Brengel of the local club in a closely contested 18 hole game, 1 up. J. A.
Boot won a close match from A. H.
Harrison, both of the New York Golf
Club, 2 up and 1 to go.

Loving, by playing consistently, de-eated Paterson 5 up and 4 to go. Their

Mrs. Emma Adams, wife of Charles F. ket to-day were uninteresting. Prices Adams, "Odiva's" manager, who was were somewhat lower at the opening. charged with malicious mischief bebut a quiet buying demand eventually fore Magistrate McGuire in Brooklyn Mrs. Adams, who sat erectly in court and manifested supreme disdain, merely sniffed when the flame-scarred garments

time. The only price changes worthy of note occurred in Steel, Union and Can-adian Pacific, Reading and Copper. was her husband, the impresario of the

The Cloning Prices.

1	ous perfections. Eight bathing suits,			Net	
1	that cost in the aggregate \$170, needed	Amal. Copper 87%	HT.	87 5 Ch'ga	
١	laundering. Would Mrs. Adams please	Am. Car & Foun. 61%	817	2012 ± 2	į
1	launder them Not on your life, she	Am. Cotton Oil 54%	5416	844 - 4	ĺ
i	wouldn't!	Am. Locomotive 45%	45%	23% = 2	į
ı	"Well," quoth Mr. Adams, "then I	Am. T. & T. Co 144%	14414	144% - 4	ĺ
1	myself will launder them."	Anscords Mining 45%	1088	100 I N	į
ı	And he did, hanging them out to dry	Atlantic Coast 144%	144	144 - 19	ĺ
١	on a clothesline in the backyard of the	Cent. Leather 20%	29 %	278世 丁 1世	ĺ
1	Adams home, at Bergen Beach. After	Ches. & Ohio 82%	92 1	82 4	1
١	he had finished the washing and hung	C. M. & St. P 107 Consol. Gas 145%	1454	100% + 1	į
١	the wash out, Mr. Adams came into the	Erie 36%	36%	36% - 9	í
I	city and did not return until the next	Gen. Elec. 1824	189	1862 = 3	١
ł	day, which was Aug. 14. Desolation	luter. Met, pf 50%	.50	89 %	à
3	awaited him. The bathing suits lay in	Louis & Nesh 168	165 4	1654 - 14	ĺ
ı	a charred mass before the portico of	Mo. Pac Roy	56%	1416 + 16	j
Ì	his home.	Nortolk & West, 118	116	118	
ă	"What is this?" he demanded.	N. Y. Cen 116	116	110	j
ķ	"Tut-tut!" replied Mrs. Adams. "They	Ontario & Western. 87	87	87	
g	are burned. Can't you see?"	Pennsylvania 12415	124 14	1702 = 3	į
	Mr. Adams reported the catastrophe	Rock Island 20%	26%	20% - %	i
ì	to Odiva, who procured a warrant	Brack faland of 112	1117	1117 = 2	ä
1	against Mrs. Adams.	South, Ry 305	80%	80%	ŝ
Ñ	"I was going along in front of the	Union Pacific 171	74.2	112 T 2	ı
ÿ,	Adams house about 10 o'clock at night.	U. 8. Stetl pf 11816	1184	1183	i
	Aug. 13." said Harry Deaves, a show	View Carp. Chem. 47%	47 14	774 = 7	l
	manager, "and saw a bonfire, which I	+ Advance Decline.			ì

amounts to nearly two million dollars.

"There are approximately 2,700 bill-boards in the city, 25 per cent of which, from actual inspection in the different boroughs, we have found to be of the double-decker character; that is, two signs, ten feet each in height, one placed above the other, making about 4,600 facings for advertisements."

GRAND JURY TAKES A RAP

AT MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Kings County Body Declares "Charity and support of the country and support of the country and support of the country and support of the firm of Larking a ten-hour day and \$2.65 for two
There are approximately 2,700 bill-according to the time slips and the word of the foremen on the different broads a ten hour day, no evidence to show she had started the fire.

At MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

At Missional to dear the men have no grievance.

"There are approximately 2,700 bill-according to the time slips and the word of the foremen on the different which, from actual inspection in the city, 25 per cent of which, from actual inspection in the city. Begins at Home" and started the sections.

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"Mr. Deaves soberly identified the six of the contraction of the contractors are declared to the contractors are declared to the six of the contractors. Trotoclive Association and the contractors are declared to the six of the contractors are d Threat to Shoot Bartender Starts

Atlantic

WILSON AT RALLY OF TRUSTEES' RULE

He Strikes Out Against Taft

and Roosevelt.

WILLIAMS GROVE, Pa., Aug. 29 .-Van Cortlandt Park for the Greater Col. Roosevelt's analogy that the bene-New York golf championship began this fits of the protective tariff system morning under fairly good weather con- constituted "prize money," of which ditions. The turf was a bit soggy, but too much was kept by the officers the players found this no disadvantage in making good drives.

The morning match brought together the two players who turned in the best together.

The players who turned in the best together the two players who turned in the best together.

"bring the farmer nearer to his natural "We shall be a happy people only when we are a united people," he said, "when class is not set against class, when no man seeks any privilege except the privilege of common service.

"It is strange," he continued, "that we should have put off so long looking into our Government to see whether it is in fact run according to the rules E. L. Larkin was successful in his is in fact run according to the rules match with Flaugh, winning in 21 we originally laid down for it, but it is holes at 1 up. This was the closest match of the morning round. it very sharply indeed and without the least danger that we shall be deceived again as to its character. Our idea of it has been from the first that it was a senuine partnership and that all were upon one footing and were to share

"But a very interesting thing has come to light. That is not, in fact, the way the Government has been administered in our time. It has been in the hands of self-constituted trustees and

but a quiet buying demand eventually developed for Reading. Union Pacific and Canadian Pacific that elevated these issues fractionally above yesterday's final range. Reading evinced fair rising power with a jump to 170.7-8 from a low price of 170.1-4.

Afternoon trading was sluggish. After a protracted period of lethargy the list finally assumed a slow upturn in the final hour that carried the market to about the highest of the day at closing time. The only price changes worthy of lieved that the common run of men had little qualification for such business, that it could be really comprehended and wisely directed only by those who led in commercial and in chief bodies of property in the counthe Republican party have consciously or unconsciously adopted his notion.

PRIZE MONEY LEGITIMATE, ROOSEVELT'S IDEA.

"These men financed party cam paigns and were always on the inside when party policy was to be determined. Tariff schedules, the foreign policy of the country, the chief exthe rank and file of us fared as we might and were happy if we had any small share in the prosperty which they organized for themselves.

They were the trustees, we were their wards and took part in the common life as they planned and directed What went on in the trustee meetings we were very seldom allowed to learn -learned indeed only by imperting inquiry, only by Congressional investigations or trials in court, which the trustees complained sadly interfered with the regular course of busi-

"Mr. Roosevelt has proclaimed him self a convert to the protective policy -I say a convert because he at one time very frankly avowed a different opinion-and has said that while he admitted that, no doubt, some duties the right one, and he thought the 'prise money' which had been received under that sytem by the manufac-

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SIMILAR OUTING SEPTEMBER 7

one. Prize money is generally acquired by capture and not by any process of carning, but Mr. Roosevelt is always frank and says that his only objection to the system is that too much of the prize money remains in the hands of the officers and too little of it is distributed. tributed to the crew. His own object he avows to be to see to it that more of the prize money gets into the pay envelopes of those whom the free-booters employ. The interesting point I wish to raise now is who supplies the plunder? From whom is the prize money taken?

GOES TO COURT IN STYLE AFTER SLEUTHS BREAK IN.

Mrs. Hamilton, Entrenched in Handsome Home, Defied Them Till They "Jimmied" Parlor Window. Residents about the handrome brownat No. 356 Stuyvesant avenue, Brooklyn, formed a large and interested audience to-day, when Detectives Lanning and

NEW SHIP ARRIVES TO CARRY FLAG INTO THE MEDITERRANEAN

From the Great Lakes Comes the Robert H. Thompson, Built in Detroit.

The new 4,000-ton steamer, Robert H. Thompson, American built, and destined to carry the American flag into Mediterranean waters, arrived in port today, having come through the Great Lakes via Montreal from Detroit, where she was built. She is lying off the Thirty-first street plor, Brooklyn. The steamer is decorated with bunting and

To Raise L. & N. Stock \$12,000,006 The directors of the Louisville Cashville rallfoad this afternoon voted to recommend to the stockholders an in rease of \$12,000,000 in the company's apital stock, making the total \$72,000,000 he new stock will be offered to stockholders at par, each being allowed to purchase blocks of the new lesue equiv-



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